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## **Drug Deaths by Year**

2011	201
2012	163
2013	198
2014	342
2015	444
2016	486
2017	490
2018	471
2019	411

## 2020 Drug Death Data

as of 5/19/2020

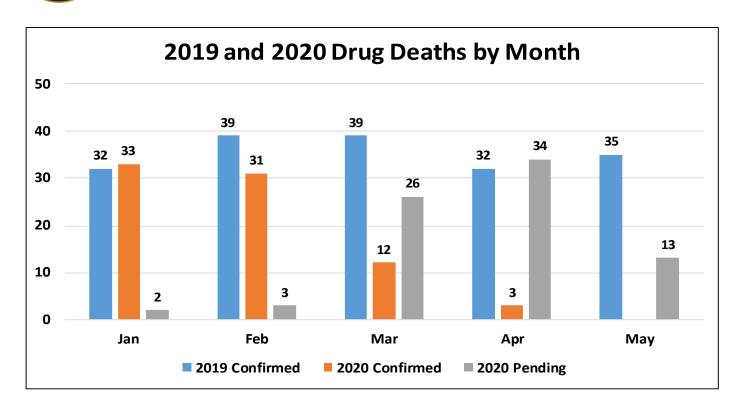
OPIATES/OPIOIDS	# OF DEATHS
Fentanyl (no other drugs)	30
Fentanyl and Other Drugs (excluding	
heroin)	27
Heroin (no other drugs)	0
Heroin and Other Drugs (excluding	
fentanyl)	0
Heroin and Fentanyl	1
Other Opiates/Opioids	9
Unknown Opioids	1
Total	68
Other drugs	11
Unknown drugs	0
Total Confirmed Drug Deaths	79
Pending Toxicology	78

'Pending toxicology' means that the death may be due to drug intoxication based on circumstances, scene investigation and/or autopsy findings but the final determination also depends on the results of toxicology testing. It can take up to 2 to 3 months to finalize the death certificate following a suspected drug intoxication death. This delay reflects the time required for specimen processing, toxicology testing and reporting and interpretation of the report by the pathologist.

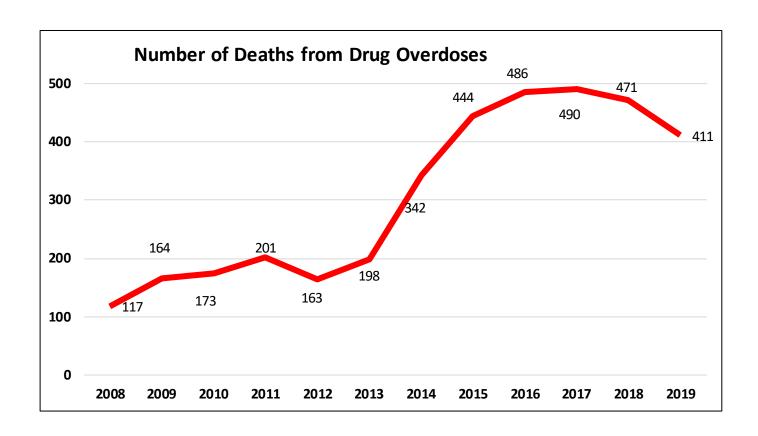
## Drug death data changes daily as pending cases are finalized.

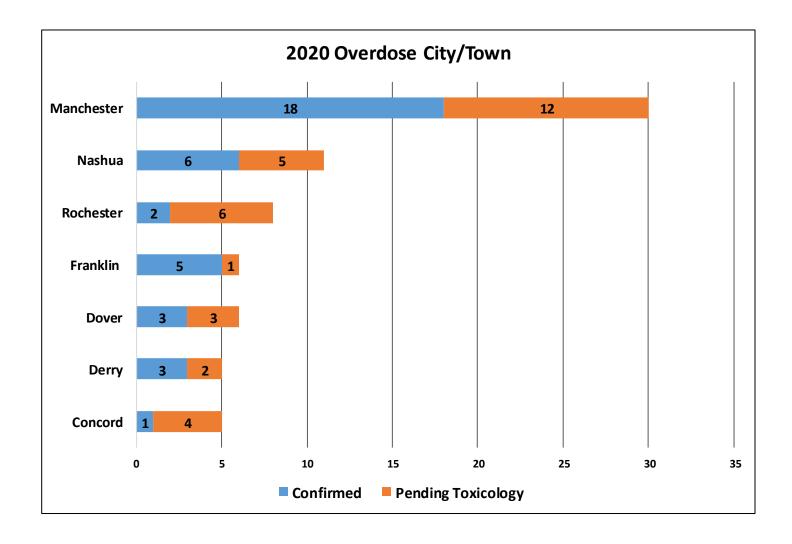
To receive monthly updates contact: kim.fallon@doj.nh.gov Enter "request for drug data" in the subject line.





The chart above shows the number of confirmed drug deaths and the number of deaths that are pending toxicology per month in 2019 and 2020. The graph below shows the number of overdose deaths each year.





The chart above shows the 7 cities/towns in New Hampshire with the highest number of fatal overdoses in 2020. The number of confirmed fatal overdoses and the number of cases 'pending toxicology' are shown. These numbers refer to the city/town where drug use occurred, not necessarily the city/town where death occurred.